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# DANBURY HOUSING PARTNERSHIP'S ANNUAL BREAKFAST AND AWARD PRESENTATION

Danbury Housing Partnership's Community Breakfast will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2013 from 7:30 to 9:00am at the Amber Room Colonnade located at 1 Stacey Road, Danbury, Connecticut.

The breakfast is an event dedicated to raising financial support for enhancing the lives of individuals and families of our region by increasing public awareness of supportive housing and encouraging the creation of affordable housing opportunities in the Housatonic Valley region. Last year more than 200 people attended the breakfast. Presented by Mayor Mark Boughton, a highlight of the event will be the presentation of the **Danbury Housing Partnership Awards** honoring individuals, groups and businesses for their work in providing housing opportunities and supportive services for area residents in furthering implementation of the **Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness** as follows:

## **Community Partnership Award: Robert Botelho**

Presented to a person or agency that develops affordable or supportive housing; advances the Partnership's goals of encouraging the creation of affordable or senior housing or makes other significant contributions towards implementing the goals and objectives of Danbury's **Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness**.

### **Supportive Services Award: Amos House**

Presented to a person or group that provides case management services to persons who are homeless, assists in housing placement or retention and assists in the implementation of the goals and objectives of Danbury's **Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness**.

### **Business Partnership Award: Lion's Club**

Presented to an organization, business or business representative that has made contributions in the area of supportive or affordable housing or has made other significant contributions towards ending homelessness in the Danbury region consistent with the **Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness**.

The speakers for this year are representatives from the Partnership for Strong Communities, the Department of Housing and the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness. These individuals will be speaking of their agencies and how they can assist Danbury and its regional neighbors to provide both supportive and permanent affordable housing in our respective communities.

The breakfast will also promote the **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Project Homeless Connect**, a one-day event that brings more than 65 social service agencies to one location in an effort to streamline access to services for the homeless or those at risk of homelessness. This year's event is scheduled for **Friday, December 13, 2013 from 9am-3pm at Western Connecticut State University.** 

Tickets for the Annual Danbury Housing Partnership Breakfast can be purchased for \$250.00 for a table sponsor of ten or individual tickets for \$25.00. Please respond by October 31<sup>st</sup> and make checks payable to the "Danbury Housing Partnership", c/o Sue Zaborowski, 254 Main Street, Danbury, CT. 06810 or contact Sue by email at <a href="mailto:s.zaborowski@danbury-ct.gov">s.zaborowski@danbury-ct.gov</a> or (203) 796-1504.